

"ETERNAL vigilance is the price of victory."—Jefferson.

The Democrats and the Greenbackers of Michigan have coalesced—sensible.

The contributions to the Extortion Committee bear an exact proportion to the fear of removal.

An action for libel has been instituted by Mr. Geo. M. Klein against the editor and Messrs. Graham & Co., publishers, of the Hornet.

The tariff enriches one class at the expense of another. It builds up the manufacturer, and impoverishes the agriculturist.

Judge THEODORE LYON is spoken of as a probable candidate for Congress in the 24th District. The Corinth Herald thinks a canvass against Mr. Mulrow would prove to be "wasted sweetness on the desert air."

The Postoffices at Crystal Springs, Scranton, Big St. Louis, Waynesboro, Quitman, Oxford, Starkville and other places in the State are proscribed over by ladies. Give them a chance is all that is asked.

GREAT political battles cannot be won in this way. Hubbell. Cannot be won except by forcing the government employees to "act as if in the religious meeting house of their choice." Then they should be lost.

It is exceedingly fortunate that the Extortion Committee fixes the exact amount of the "voluntary contribution." Many a liberal minded would be liable to contribute more but for this prudent prohibition.

GEN. SHERMAN has stated that he intended to leave the army before the law loving him went into effect. He will make St. Louis his home. His retirement will make Phil Sheridan General-in-chief of the army.

It is a remarkable commentary on conjugal bliss that over one hundred women are on trial in Gross Beckers Hungary, charged with poisoning their husbands. The guilt of thirty-five of the women has been proven.

JAY GOULD says if Mr. Conkling had been in the Senate when the veto of the River and Harbor bill was read he would have defeated that "outrageous swindle" in a single speech. The "blind pool" speculator and confessed extortionist is growing fastidious.

This will be the great railroad-building year on record. Already, since the first of January, nearly 6,000 miles of new road have been built in this country. During the corresponding period last year 3,459 miles had been constructed, and that was regarded as great things.

ACCORDING to the computation of Mr. E. B. Elliot, the government actuary, a million dollars in the standard gold coin weighs 3,685 pounds avoirdupois. Now if it was only known how much space it would occupy, the bloated holders of the press could begin to "figger."

The Natchez Democrat says there is a man in Wilkinson county who, in 1860, registered a vow that he would not cut his hair or shave his whiskers until the Southern Confederacy had gained its independence. He has religiously and scrupulously kept his vow, and his hair now nearly reaches his knees, while his whiskers are very long and shaggy.

GEORGE W. CARLE, in his address at the University of Mississippi Commencement, told the students that they should endeavor to shake off the "Southern States." "As to the Union of States," he said, "God bless it, God save it. But the league of any group of them under any name of North or South or East or West is an insinuation of free-masonry into our family circle."

THE less you think our grand old party ought not to succeed, etc., Hubbell. If "our grand old political party" cannot maintain itself on principle but is compelled to resort to the means which the Extortion Committee are now using to continue its lease of power, all good men without regard to party will rejoice at its defeat.

ALEXANDER STEPHENS was elected U. S. Senator during the reconstruction period, and when refused admission, declared that he would never enter the Senate chamber again unless he entered it as a Senator—a vow he has religiously kept. It is now reported that his candidacy for the Governorship of Georgia is based on an intention of being elected to the United States Senate.

SPEAKING of the "spoils system," the late President Garfield said that "the present system degrades the civil service; it repels from the service those high and manly qualities which are necessary to a pure and efficient administration; and finally, it debauches the public mind by holding up office as reward for mere party zeal. To reform this service is one of the highest and most imperative duties of statesmanship."

The Natchez Democrat says, "a whiskey with a fragrance like flowers and a taste like the dream melody of Mendelssohn's music," is the kind they give St. Louis reporters to drink. The average Natchez reporter thinks the Democrat considers "Jersey lightning" or real "pine top," that feels like a torch-light procession going down his throat, and makes him mean enough to steal from himself, a positive luxury. He considers that sort the very poetry of liquor.

If the theory be true that the deposits of sediment save the lands from exhaustion and increase their fertility, our Mississippi river planters since the general government has taken in hand the matter of repairing the levees, will have reason to regard the overflow as a blessing in disguise. It has enriched their lands, and waked up Congress to the importance of putting the levees in a condition to prevent a recurrence of the deluge.

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Peace and Good Will.

Mr. Blaine in a recent address delivered at Portland said:

Since Maine was a State—aye, identically since Maine was a State—the date serves me precisely, coming in on top of the great Missouri Compromise, that first wide and deep agitation of the slavery question—never, from that hour to this, in the sixty-two years, that have intervened, has the feeling between the North and South been as cordial and fraternal as it is to-night.

The statement was received with loud and prolonged applause, and gives us renewed hope that the man who will in the future undertake to align parties with regard to the dead issues of the past will find himself without backing and without support. Times change and we change with them. The things of yesterday are not the things of today. Turning our faces on what has gone before, we are confronted by the present question of the maintenance of the just relations between labor and capital, of the adjustment of the tariff so as to advance the interests of all classes, of the mending of our broken fortunes, and the development of our material resources. In these all classes and every section have an equal interest and if their views accord with ours we may clasp hands with our brethren of the North though we live under the Southern cross.

THE good old fashioned darkey is unalterably opposed to the stirring up of race issues. He wishes to abide in peace and amity with his neighbors. He knows that agitation of that question is driven by political ringsters and feels that it can do him no good. In this connection we reproduce with pleasure a resolution passed by a recent meeting of the colored people of Marshall county at Holly Springs:

WHEREAS, We are unalterably opposed to a renewal of race issues, and ardently desire to live in peace and kindness and friendship with all men, white and colored, that our mutual happiness and prosperity may be promoted, and hereby express our abhorrence of any and all men, white or colored, who endeavor to stir up strife and array men against man, and race against race, to the detriment of good morals and the welfare of the community.

Just ten years ago the late President Garfield, the "deep dammed" of whose taking off" bears mournful but conclusive testimony against the foul methods of the "spoils system," said:

I ask these gentlemen what they think of the system of political assessments? I ask them what they think of the extortion of the collector of a great port or chief of any great branch of the service, a circular calling for 1, 2, or 3 per cent. of the salaries of all the employees under his control to be used for party purposes, with the distinct understanding that unless they paid, official cases never get beyond the pockets of the shysters, the hangers-on, the mere camp-followers of the party.

Senator Harris of Tennessee says that the tariff will be the most important issue in the next Presidential campaign. The Democratic plank on the subject in 1880 he says ought to have been written: "A tariff for revenue only, and protection within the standard of revenue."

The Michigan Democrats denounce "the unjust, unequal and iniquitous system of taxation called a protective tariff, which oppresses the farmer and laborer, destroys our merchant marine, breeds and enriches monopolies and impoverishes the poor."

Revenue collectors can work up Conventions but can't work up the polls.

NEWS AND NOTES.

Kansas is now threatening the largest wheat crop ever grown in that State.

The Democrats of the Second (Texas) District re-nominated Judge Rogers by acclamation.

The Democrats of Delaware have nominated Charles C. Stodley for Governor, and Charles B. Love for Governor-elect.

It is stated that Gen. Grant will decline serving as one of the Commissioners to Mexico for reasons not given.

Secretary of Assessments, Hubbell has squeezed more than \$1,000,000 out of the government employees.

The question of adopting a Prohibitory Amendment to the Constitution of Minnesota is being agitated in that State.

A rapid rise of the river Nile is reported, threatening an overflow and a serious deluge to British army operations in Egypt.

A rumor is going the rounds to the effect that General Robert Toombs will join the Methodist church and be baptised by Bishop Pierce.

Judge Bennett, the Democratic candidate for Congress at Large in North Carolina, is a thorough revenue reformer and denounces a protective tariff in all his speeches.

A prominent Georgia Democrat says that public confidence in the President is at a low ebb. He would like to see the President removed from office, and the State favors the appointment of Ex-Senator Gordon as Mr. Hill's successor, the reasons which impelled the General to resign, not standing in the way of his return to that body.

A Mr. Pulaski (Ill.) special agent, Charles McMahon who lived in Illinois and that city, and who has been missing for the past three days, was discovered yesterday with two young men who had been working for him; all three blundered and their throats cut from ear to ear.

White and Colored Vote of Mississippi, Arranged by Districts.

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